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Title

Method of Bonding Metallic Members by Plastic-Flow

Bonding and Plastic-Flow Bonded Body

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated July 26, 2005, applicant elects Claims 7-10 (Group II) and requests an early action on the merits thereof.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056208.52811US).

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